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Ms. Donna R. Searcy, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street N.W. - Room 222 Washington, D.C. 20554

PR Docket No. 92-235 RE:

Dear Ms. Searcy:

FCC MAIL BRANCH FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

The Adams County Communication Center (ADCOM) is a combined communication center which provides 911 and public safety dispatching services to the following agencies: the Adams County Sheriff's Department, the Brighton, Commerce City and Northglenn Police Departments, the Bennett, Brighton, North Washington, South Adams, Southwest Adams and West Adams Fire Protection Districts and their contracted ambulance companies. The City of Thornton's Police and Fire Departments will be added no later than September 15, 1993.

The ADCOM Board of Directors supports, in full, the comments on PR Docket No. 92-235 recently submitted by the State of Colorado Division of Telecommunications (copy enclosed). Two comments made by the Division are of special concern:

- The ADCOM Board strongly supports the Division's proposal that the initial move to 12.5 Khz bandwidths be accomplished by all users in all areas of the country within 10 years of the Final Report and Order in these proceedings.
- The ADCOM Board also strongly supports the Division's proposal relative to ERP and HAAT limits: that maximum ERP be based on the area of operation of the licensee and the minimum required signal strength at the edges of the area.

Additionally, the Commission should be aware that the financial impact to public safety agencies as a result of the rule changes will be devastating over the next 10-20 years. In Colorado, the voters passed a spending limitation amendment to the State constitution in November, 1992. Many government agencies are

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already suffering financial hardships and predictions are that the situation will worsen. The ADCOM Board of Directors requests that the Commission work with other federal agencies to initiate funding assistance to state and local governments. This could be accomplished through the existing NTIA grant program. As well, new programs similar to the former Law Enforcement Assistance Administration could be developed for this purpose.

Without funding assistance, an extreme hardship will be placed on all public safety agencies and our service levels will be critically affected.

Respectfully submitted,

Rodney E. Wright